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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION (SECOND RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT)

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 24, 2008, the time for a response to which has been extended to and through September 24, 2008.

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